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NOTES FOR DDCI

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State Dept. review completed

*State channels* 1. Ambassador Martin in Bangkok is in with a suggestion *to Bill Bundy thru* that Praphat be given the Legion of Merit--second highest degree--while he is here in Washington. Martin suggests the highest degree be reserved for a subsequent award to Thanom. Martin points out that Praphat is one of the few senior Thai military officials who has never received the Legion of Merit. ✓

25X1 2. Kirk has issued separate action memos to each of the four Deputy Directorates on policy guidance for preparation and review of Fiscal Year 1966 budget and manpower. The following chart will show you the authorized personnel ceilings for each of the components. As you know the goal is to get [ ] by June 1965. The chart includes only the people assigned to the four specific components. ✓

	FY '65	FY '66	+ or - <u>(percentage)</u>
25X1 DDP	[ ]		-1.09
DDS			-1.06
DDI			-1.12
DDS&T			<u>-1.43</u>
TOTAL			-1.12

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7. The following is an item from the Daily Vietnam Checklist:

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"that some of Khanh's group realized that many Liberation Front members were nationalists and would eventually play a role in the government of the South. He said some of Khanh's followers were in contact with Front members to maintain 'an escape hatch.' Such contacts cannot be confirmed, but we consider it highly possible that some officials may be so involved. "

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8. Personnel reports that things are not going too well to date in trying to get "out placement" [Redacted]. Currently, efforts are being made to get him onto a university staff somewhere. His new and recently revised resignation date is mid-November.

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9. Art Lundahl wanted you to know that an Army Colonel, [Redacted] who has worked with Art off and on for 7 years leaves NPIC effective today to go back to military duty. He has been a real helpful guy and Art has written a letter of commendation [Redacted]

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